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"Adulthood is the time of life when responsibilities are the greatest and status the highest. Among the Siriono this state is signified by marriage and is attained when children are born. Bachelors and spinsters, of whom there are few, have little position in this society, where survival depends on all types of cooperation between husband and wife."

1: Holmberg--83 [4] (1941-42) 1950 Siriono
116, 165, 582, 885

"The Siriono are ushered into adulthood prematurely if not abruptly. Younger than in most societies one must take the role of an adult, for younger than in most societies one grows old and dies. The rigors of life being intense, there is a 50-50 chance at least that one's parents will not be alive when one reaches the childbearing age. Consequently boys and girls are frequently married before they have undergone the physiological changes that accompany adolescence."

1: Holmberg--83 [5] (1941-42) 1950 Siriono
116, 105, 885

"While the obligations of adulthood are not extreme (the needs of the society are minimal), the struggle for survival is intense. There is no security of food; there are long and forced marches through spiny jungle and swamp; there are many sleepless nights of wind, rain, and insect pests; there is constant threat of disease and death. In short, the natural environment is harsh, and the techniques which the culture has developed for dealing with it are crude and insecure. Hence a person must be on the alert most of his waking time to procure the bare necessities of life."